

COURSE SYLLABUS – ST526
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Principles of Sanctification

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Time: Monday 5-8 p.m. (1/28, 2/18, 3/18, 4/15)

Class Hours: 2

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COURSE PURPOSE

This course is a study of the application of redemption in the believer's sanctification.

COURSE OBJECTIVES

1. To examine the foundations of the doctrine of sanctification.
2. To understand the use of the means of grace in sanctification.
3. To cultivate the student's personal holiness.
4. To memorize scriptures and catechism answers concerning sanctification.

COURSE TEXTS

Required Texts:

The Bible.

The Westminster Confession of Faith and Catechisms

Berkhof, Louis. *Systematic Theology*. 1936,1938. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 1996.

Bunyan, John. *The Pilgrim's Progress*. 1676. Edinburgh: Banner of Truth, 2005. (I will reference this durable edition in lectures. However, any unabridged edition is acceptable. No modern English versions, please.)

Lambert, Heath B. *Finally Free: Fighting for Purity with the Power of Grace*. Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 2013.

J.I. Packer. *Faithfulness and Holiness: The Witness of J.C. Ryle*. Wheaton: Crossway, 2002. (The book includes the full text of the first edition of Ryle's

Holiness.)

Roberts, Vaughan. *True Friendship: Walking Shoulder to Shoulder*. Leyland, England: 10 Publishing, 2014.

Recommended:

Bridges, Charles. *The Christian Ministry*. 1830. Edinburgh: Banner of Truth, 1967.

Murray, John. *Redemption Accomplished and Applied*. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 1955.

COURSE REQUIREMENTS

1. ATTENDANCE — Class attendance is mandatory. If a student anticipates an unavoidable absence, he should notify the instructor in advance. Each hour of unexcused absence subjects the student to reduction of his final grade by one-half of a letter grade. Students missing one or more session (for any reason other than sickness) may either submit an additional, compensatory assignment [determined by the instructor] or choose to receive a half letter grade reduction of their final grade for each hour missed. In the event of a planned absence, written work and memory verses must be submitted to the teaching assistant electronically by the start time of the class missed. In the event of absence due to sickness, arrangements must still be made with the TA to turn in those assignments that are due on the day that they are due.

2. MEMORY VERSE AND READING ASSIGNMENT QUIZ — Textbook assignments must be read prior to class. Each week you will take a catechism/Bible memory and reading quiz. *Be ready for your first quiz on the first day of class!* On your quiz, you will be asked if you have completed all assigned readings prior to class. Students arriving late will ordinarily not be permitted to take the quiz.

3. EXAMINATIONS — Final Examination, TBD

In addition to other questions, you will be asked to write out Romans 6:1-14 in its entirety and two answers from the Westminster Shorter Catechism.

4. GRADES –

Reading Quizzes and Bible Memory Verses	50%
Examinations	50%

5. GRADING SCALE -

97-100%	A
94-96%	A-
91-93%	B+
88-90%	B
86-87%	B-
83-85%	C+

80-82%	C
78-79%	C-
75-77%	D+
72-74%	D
70-71%	D-
0-69%	F

6. SPRING BREAK - March 11-15.

7. MAKEUP CLASSES. For various reasons, classes may be cancelled and rescheduled. If makeup classes are needed, they may be scheduled on any Monday evening during the semester.

8. ELECTRONIC DEVICES - Computers and tablets are not permitted in the classroom. Cell phones should be turned off and put away. Voice recorders are not permitted in class.

9. ETIQUETTE – Gentlemen may not wear caps or hats in the classroom.

10. DISCLAIMER - The instructor reserves the right to modify any portion of this syllabus during the semester.

11. OFFICE HOURS – Monday through Thursday, by appointment or whenever the door is open.

COURSE OUTLINE

January 28:

- A. Berkhof, 510-549; Westminster Confession of Faith, chapters 11-18; Westminster Larger Catechism, Q&A 70-81, 91-153; Westminster Shorter Catechism, Q&A 33-85
- B. **Reading Quiz and Bible and Catechism Memory:** Westminster Shorter Catechism, answers 33 and 35; Romans 6:1-2

February 18:

- A. Packer (Ryle), 91-225
- B. **Reading Quiz and Bible Memory Verse:** Romans 6:1-6

March 18:

- A. Bunyan, Part 1
- B. **Reading Quiz and Bible Memory Verse:** Romans 6:1-10

April 15:

- A. Roberts (entire book) and Lambert (entire book)
- B. **Reading Quiz and Bible Memory Verse:** Romans 6:1-14